



Report to the Auburn City Council

Action Item
Agenda Item No. 10
City Manager Approval

To: Mayor and City Council Members
From: Valerie Harris, Chief of Police
Date: April 13, 2009
Subject: Acceptance of Homeland Security Grant Funds

The Issue

Should the City Council approve the acceptance of \$25,890.00 of grant funds from the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), issued through the State Office of Emergency Services, for the purpose of purchasing two in-car camera systems and the necessary hardware and software needed for implementation?

Conclusion and Recommendation

Based on our research, Staff is recommending that the City Council accept the money and authorize the purchase of the in-car cameras and to execute all documents required to implement the plan.

Staff recommends that the City Council by **RESOLUTION** hereby ratify and approve the Auburn Police Department's installation of two in-car camera systems with supporting software/hardware for a cost no greater than \$26,580.00; 100% of project costs will be paid for by the Department of Homeland Security Grant monies pending installation of the system

Background

The Auburn Police Department is continually working to improve the safety, operations and efficiencies of patrol services, while utilizing technology to enhance safety and improve operational effectiveness. This effectiveness includes tools that will improve the identification, investigation, apprehension and prosecution of persons involved in criminal activity. The technology system requested provides the City the opportunity to purchase, with funding available from a DHS grant, and the ability to expand and roll out additional in-car cameras as funding becomes available.

In October, 2007, the County Board of Supervisors approved \$146,805 for the In-car camera system pilot program from 2007 DHS grants funds. This included a pilot program and start-up for the system, as well as system start-up and cameras for the city of Lincoln and Placer County. Since that time, testing has been undertaken at all three Departments to determine the appropriate equipment and initial coverage. The pilot project has been reconfigured to segregate the project solely for the Auburn Police Department from 2007 DHS funds (\$25,890,000). This includes updated storage, building infrastructure enhancements (new wiring and antennas) and hardware to support two cameras in two patrol units.

Alternatives Available to Council; Implications of Alternatives

1. Proceed with Staff Recommendation
2. Do not proceed with staff recommendation

Fiscal Impact

The costs of this initial project will be reimbursed from the Department of Homeland Security Grant Program (\$25,890) after the purchase of the requested equipment. There are no annual costs for the in-car camera hardware as the purchase price includes a five-year warranty. The on-going costs will be absorbed in the department's base budget operations. There will be no impact to the General Fund.

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3 RESOLUTION APPROVING DEPARTMENT HOMELAND SECURITY (DHS)
4 GRANT FUNDS FOR POLICE IN-CAR CAMERAS
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6 THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUBURN DOES HEREBY RESOLVE:

7 That the City Council of the City of Auburn does hereby ratify and
8 approve the Auburn Police Department's installation of two in-car camera
9 systems with supporting software/hardware for a cost no greater than
10 \$26,580.00; 100% of project costs will be paid for by Department of Homeland
11 Security Grant monies pending installation of the system.
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13 DATED: April 13, 2009
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15 J. M. HOLMES, Mayor

16 ATTEST:

17 Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk
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19 I, Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk of the City of Auburn, hereby certify
20 that the foregoing resolution was duly passed at a regular meeting of the City
21 Council of the City of Auburn held on the 13th day of April 2009 by the
22 following vote on roll call:

23 Ayes: Holmes, Hanley, Nesbitt, Powers, Kirby
24 Noes:
25 Absent:

26 Joseph G. R. Labrie, City Clerk
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